

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H3084**

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TO:	The Honorable Phillip D. Owens, Chairman, House Education and Public Works Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Naming of Highways		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

See Below

BILL SUMMARY:

This Bill amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the naming of a highway facility in honor of an individual, so as to provide that unless the highway facility is dedicated and named in honor of either a serviceman or law enforcement officer killed in the line of duty, public funds may not be used to reimburse the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT).

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Under current law, SCDOT is reimbursed \$500 from the appropriate local "C" fund account for each road, bridge, or facility that is named by the General Assembly. Subsection (B), as amended, prohibits public funds from being used to reimburse SCDOT for these cost unless the structure is dedicated and named in honor of either a serviceman or law enforcement officer killed in the line of duty. Although subsection (A) specifies that SCDOT is to be reimbursed for expenses associated with such a dedication, it does not specify the source from which the Department is to be reimbursed.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

The cost associated with dedicating a road or structure would impact the State Highway Fund if the SCDOT is not reimbursed for such expenses from another source.

Approved by:



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